

CLAIMS

1. – 24. (Canceled)

25. (Currently Amended) A composition comprising a double or triple salt of hydroxycitric acid, and

(a) approximately 14 to 26% by weight of calcium, and

(b) approximately 24 to 40% by weight of potassium ~~or approximately 14 to 24% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof,~~

each calculated as a percentage of the total hydroxycitric acid content of said composition.

26. (Currently Amended) A composition containing a double or triple salt of hydroxycitric acid comprising:

(a) at least approximately 40% by weight of hydroxycitric acid, and

(b) approximately 5 to 13% by weight of calcium, and

(c) approximately 9 to 20% by weight of potassium ~~or approximately 5 to 12% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof,~~

each calculated as a percentage of the total weight of said composition.

27. (Previously presented) A composition containing a double or triple salt of hydroxycitric acid comprising:

(a) approximately 55 to 65% by weight of hydroxycitric acid, and

(b) approximately 9 to 13% by weight of calcium, and

(c) approximately 14 to 18% by weight of potassium,

each calculated as a percentage of the total weight of said composition.

28. (Canceled)

29. (Previously presented) The composition in claim 25, wherein the lactone form of hydroxycitric acid comprises less than approximately 4% by weight of the total weight of the composition.

30.-34. (Canceled)

35. (Previously presented) The composition in claim 25, wherein the composition has negligible odor, taste and color.

36. (Previously presented) The composition in claim 25, wherein the composition is highly soluble in water and clear in solution.

37. (Previously presented) The composition in claim 25, wherein the composition has minimal hygroscopicity.

38. (Currently Amended) The composition in claim 25, where in the composition is ~~administered~~ in pill, powder, liquid, food, beverage or pharmaceutical form.

39. (Currently Amended) The composition in claim 25, where in the composition is ~~administered as~~ in the form of a dietary supplement, food, beverage or drug.

40. (Currently Amended) The composition in claim 25, where in the composition is ~~administered~~ in the form of foods or beverages at a concentration of approximately 0.001 to 25% by weight of the total weight of said food or beverage.

41. (Currently Amended) The composition in claim 25, where in the composition is ~~administered in~~ is in the form of foods or beverages at a concentration of approximately 0.05 to 5% by weight of the total weight of said food or beverage.

42. – 44. (Canceled)